a continuous uninterrupted piezoelectric film placed on a surface of a relatively incompressible substrate;

a plurality of areas of relatively compressible substrate formed in the surface of the relatively incompressible substrate adjacent the continuous uninterrupted piezoelectric film responsive to bending strain and compression strain forming a discrete area of increased sensitivity in the stretch direction and thickness dimension in the piezoelectric film adjacent the relatively compressible substrate to impinging acoustic pressure waves; and

a single electrical output from the plurality of discrete areas of increased sensitivity.

REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are remaining in this application. Claim 1 has been amended to place the claims in condition for allowance.

The Examiner rejected claims 1-3 and 5-15 under 35 USC 012(a) as being clearly anticipated by Carson, Fromont or Bernstein. The Examiner stated, The Examiner rejected claims 4 and 6-23 under 35 USC 102(a) as being clearly anticipated by Yamamuro aor Bernstein, stating,

The applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's rejection as follows:

Claim 1 has been amended to recite limitations for a "continuous uninterrupted piezoelectric film having a plurality of discrete sensitive areas"; "the plurality of discrete sensitive areas responsive to bending strain and compression strain" and "a plurality of discrete sensitive areas a single electrical output from the plurality of discrete areas of